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Saturday, 21 Feb 53

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1. Bob Amory called to recommend that we ask Mr. Dulles to allow Deputy Directors to approve of the appointments of consultants. He thought that General Smith imposed an unnecessary burden upon himself by instructing that he do this personally. I told Bob I would see that this was raised at a Deputies Meeting. I will ask Personnel to give me some statistics as to how many we have on duty, etc., before raising it.

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2. [redacted] brought up a new Table of Organization for the [redacted] as well as one for the [redacted]. The approval of the [redacted] should be fairly simple since we have recently had a classification team over there. The one for the [redacted] is not so simple but is urgent in view of the fact that [redacted] is waiting to take this T/O back with him. It also contained a request for certain delegations of authority. I asked Mr. [redacted] duty officer for Personnel, to take these T/O's and ask Meloon to expedite them. I extracted their request for delegations of authority and gave it to [redacted] of the General Counsel office, with a request that they coordinate these delegations and draft the necessary papers for appropriate signature.

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3. Spent considerable time with Becker and Hugh Farley of the National Security Council Staff in an attempt to provide certain figures on the cost of our operations which the NSC is trying to get together. They already have received figures from the Bureau of the Budget. I think their real aim was to verify these figures with us so that there would be no disagreement when it is raised in a National Security Council Senior Staff meeting. I have cleared all of these figures with Mr. Dulles so that there should be no disagreement. Made arrangements with Saunders and [redacted] to do a great deal of research on this problem and [redacted] delivered the final figures to Mr. Farley Monday morning. I have also asked Ed Saunders and [redacted] to prepare a memorandum to the Director, copy of which should go to Mr. Becker who is now representing CIA on the Senior Staff, showing how we arrived at these figures, so that he would be familiar with it when discussed at the Senior Staff.

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